

2023 Madison Station Polar Express Christmas on Main

Please join the City of Madison and the Madison Station Historic Preservation Society as we kick off the 2023 Holiday Season. We invite your organization to be a part of the **10th Annual Madison Station Polar Express Christmas on Main.**

Trees will be displayed along Main Street in beautiful, historic downtown Madison from **Friday, December 1 through Tuesday, January 2, 2024.**

To register, please fill out this Registration Form and Return to:
Debbie.overcash@gmail.com

Mail checks payable to the City of Madison to:
Madison City Hall
100 Hughes Road
Madison, AL 35758
Attention: City Clerk Lisa Thomas
Note on check memo line: Polar Express

Registration Deadline is: COB Friday, November 10, 2023
All trees sold on a first come/first served basis
Trees will be available to decorate from Friday, November 24, 2023
and must be completed no later than COB Thursday, November 30, 2023

Entry fees:

For Profit Organization - \$125.00

Non-profit Organization - \$75.00

Once Registration Form and Payment have been received, you will receive a Hold Harmless Agreement, please sign and return immediately via email to debbie.overcash@gmail.com or mail to 110 Sanoma Drive Madison, AL 35758 to receive confirmation of your registration.

The Official lighting of all trees will take place on Friday, December 1st at 6:00 accompanied by:

Visit Santa in the Snow Globe by City of Madison
Christmas Ornament Decorating by Madison Arts Alliance
Children's Glowstick Parade and Letters to Santa by the Madison Chamber of Commerce
Music Provided by the Madison Community Orchestra
Reading of the Polar Express by the Madison Public Library
Snowflake Alley on Garner by Madison Visionary Partners
Hot Chocolate and Cookies by the Rotary Club of Madison

Award Categories judged by a select panel of judges will be:
Mayor's Choice, Holly Jolly Award (Most Holiday Inspired) and Merry & Bright Award (Show Stopper)
To be awarded at the Monday, January 8, 2024 City Council Meeting at 6:00 PM at City Hall.

The number of trees is limited so reserve your tree early!
For question or additional information, contact:
Debbie Overcash at 256-772-0307 or debbie.overcash@gmail.com

Contest Rules:

Trees will be outside; therefore, all lighting and decorations must be weatherproof and intended for outdoor use. Please secure all ornaments and lights to sustain wind and rain.

No candles or other flammable items may be used.

The City of Madison/MSHPS are not responsible for any damage of or loss of any decorations at any time before, during, or after the Christmas events.

Organizations agree to check on decorations/tree and make repairs as needed.

Organizations agree to display and maintain their Christmas tree through COB Tuesday, January 2, 2024.

All decorations must be removed by organizations no later than Wednesday, January 3, 2024.

Winners, participants and/or images from the contest will be posted on the Madison City Website, Facebook Page and/or otherwise used in publicity or promotional materials concerning the Madison Christmas Events.

Each Entry will be provided:

One 6 foot live, cut tree

Electrical outlet to power decorations/lights

Organization sign

Each Participant will provide and attach:

All lighting and decoration, please be mindful of weather conditions and secure appropriately (wire or zip ties recommended)

Extension cord(s) to power any electrical needs (please label), minimum length 25 feet.

Contact Name: _____

Tree Sponsored by: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Signature: _____

Your entry acceptance will be confirmed via email upon receipt of this completed, signed Form and Registration Fee.

The City of Madison and the MSHPS reserve the right to deny entry and/or remove any entry deemed in its absolute discretion to not meet the standard for participating in this voluntary activity. By seeking entry, all potential individual, business, organization, or entity acknowledges this reserved right and agrees to adhere, without contest, to the findings of suitability by the City of Madison and the MSHPS.

All proceeds will benefit the Madison Station Historic Society's preservation efforts.

Thank you for celebrating the 2023 Holiday season with us!